



# Saint Brigid's Parish

Pastoral Community of South and East Belfast

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4<sup>th</sup> August 2024, Year B, Psalter Week 2

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**First Reading:** Reading from the book of Exodus Ex 16:2-4.12-15

*I will rain down bread for you from the heavens.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 77:3-4.23-25.54

*R/. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.*

**Second Reading:** Reading from letter of St Paul to the Ephesians Eph 4:17.20-24

*Put on the new self that has been created in God's way.*

**Gospel:** Gospel according to John Jn 6:24-35

*He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.*

### Anniversary List

**Please pray for** all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Jim Gallagher, Hugh Bergin, Creena O'Farrell, J J Murphy, Colm McGoldrick, Hugh McAlinney, Ronnie Huston, Rosaleen Logan, George Copeland, Kathleen Sadlier, Helen Coyle, Patrick Montague

*May they rest in peace*

## The Liturgy

### Sunday Mass

Saturday: 6.00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday: 9.30 am  
12.00 noon

### Weekday Mass (Summer)

Monday: 9.30 am

Tuesday: 9.30 am

Wednesday: 9.30 am

Thursday: 9.30 am

Friday: 9.30 am

Saturday: 12 noon



### Confession

**Saturday:** 12.30 pm – 1.00 pm &  
5.30 pm – 6:00 pm

### Eucharistic Adoration

*(suspended during July and August)*

### Baptisms

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month at 1.30pm  
Please contact the Parish Office to book  
*(One month's notice required)*

### Marriages

At least 6 months' notice required prior to date of Marriage.  
Please contact Fr O'Donnell

## PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION

*(Total includes Basket Collections, Standing Orders and Dona Donations)*

**Weekly Collection 28<sup>th</sup> July: £4398.06**



*Thank you for your continued support*



### Sunday Homily

Fr O'Donnell's Homily is available to read and listen to each Sunday morning on our Parish Website. *Please visit the link > [Sunday Homilies](#)*

### Bulletin Notices and Anniversaries

Bulletin Notices should be with the Parish Office **by 12 noon on Thursday** to be included in the weekend bulletin.

*To receive the Bulletin by email each week please click [here](#) to sign up*

## Food Bank Collection

Non perishable food items can be donated after all Masses **THIS WEEKEND (3rd /4th August 2024)**.

Your donations make a big difference to local people in crisis.  
Thank you for your support.



**List of items currently most needed:** *Tinned Custard; Tinned vegetables; Porridge oats; Instant potato; Long life juice; Jam/Honey; Biscuits; Shampoo; Toothbrushes; Shower gel; Detergent.*

## Parish Volunteering

It is our Parish Policy to rotate volunteers from time-to-time; this allows for a greater involvement of parishioners in parish life, and allows present volunteers to have a break from service.

1. Readers to join a new rota for Sunday Mass – the expected involvement is to read at a Sunday Mass once in a 2 month rota;
2. Readers for weekday Masses;
3. Ministers of Holy Communion for Sunday Mass – serving once a month;
4. Ministers of Holy Communion for weekday Masses;
5. Ministers of Holy Communion to take Holy Communion to the sick and housebound parishioners;
6. Choir – Sunday 12 Noon Mass
7. Altar Society - arranging and caring for the flowers in the church.
8. Count Team

Please consider volunteering, and if you decided to do so, please forward your name and contact details to Lisa in the Parish Office on 02890 665409 or by email to [stbrigids@downandconnor.org](mailto:stbrigids@downandconnor.org)

## ***New to the Parish? Welcome!***

Please register online at parish website; [stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/parish-info](http://stbrigidsparishbelfast.org/parish-info) or call into the parish office for a registration form.

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If you have changed your address within the current year please contact the Parish office by phone or send an email to [stbrigids@downandconnor.org](mailto:stbrigids@downandconnor.org)  
*Thank -you.*

**DOWN and CONNOR DIOCESAN TRUST (2 Vacancy's)**

## **CLERGY HEALTH & WELLBEING OFFICER** **3 YEAR FIXED TERM CONTRACT**

This new role will attract someone who is a Registered Nurse, who is / has been working in general medicine, older people's services, or primary care. If you are an individual who is motivated, adaptable, and forward thinking, then this could be a fantastic opportunity for you.

The terms are based on a 3 -Year Fixed Term Contract, working **35 hours per week**. Flexible working arrangements with an option for hybrid working as meets the needs of the role. (**Salary:** Range £45,000 - £50,000 gross per annum)

## **EXECUTIVE SUPPORT OFFICER**

Based at 75 Somerton Road, Belfast, BT15 4DE. The Executive Support Officer will be required to provide a full portfolio of support to the Bishop of Down and Connor, Senior Clergy and the Management Team, by way of expert secretarial, clerical, administrative and diary management services.

The terms are based on a permanent appointment for **35 hours per week**. Monday to Friday from 9.00am – 5.00pm; additional out of hours may be required from time to time. (**Salary:** Range £28,000 - £32,000 gross per annum)

**Full details relating to both vacancy's can be found on the Diocesan website at:**  
<https://www.downandconnor.org/job-vacancies/>

***Closing date for applications will be 12.00 noon on Thursday 15th August 2024***

## **What Does the Mass Do?**

When participating in holy Mass, we find ourselves with all sorts of men and women: young people, the elderly, children; poor and well-off; locals and strangers alike; people with their families and people who are alone... But the Eucharist which I celebrate, does it lead me to truly feel they are all like brothers and sisters? Does it increase my capacity to rejoice with those who are rejoicing and cry with those who are crying? Does it urge me to go out to the poor, the sick, the marginalized? Does it help me to recognize in theirs the face of Jesus?

*Pope Francis*